

REMARKS

Claim rejections under 35 USC 101

Claims 1 and 4-20 have been rejected under 35 USC 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. In particular, the Examiner has stated that even though, with respect to independent claims 1 and 17, the outputting of recipes is recited, the output recipes are not a tangible result “unless output to a user (i.e., displayed) or saved on a computer-readable medium.” (Office action, p. 2, para. 1) In response, Applicant has amended independent claims 1, 17, and 20 so that the recipes are displayed to a user on a display device, and/or are printed using an image-formation device. (See patent application as filed, page 7, lines 10-12)

As such, Applicant submits that the claimed subject matter satisfies 35 USC 101. **However, if the Examiner disagrees, she is strongly requested to contact Applicant’s representative, Mike Dryja, at the phone number listed below, with additional proposed limitations that would render the claimed subject matter statutory under 35 USC 101 to the satisfaction of the Examiner.** Applicant, in other words, would like to get this issue resolved as soon as possible so that this patent application can be issued as a patent.

Conclusion

Applicants have made a diligent effort to place the pending claims in condition for allowance, and request that they so be allowed. However, should there remain unresolved issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Mike Dryja, Applicant's representative, at 425-427-5094, so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible. For these reasons, and in view of the above amendments, this application is now considered to be in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,



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